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#### THAT GEOGRAPHY.

The Globe-Democrat, of St. Louis, has a lengthy editorial in a recent issue endeavoring to prove that geography should cut no figure in the selection of a presidential candidate. This is said in connection with the candidacy of Tom Reed, and is eminently correct. The mistake the Globe-Democrat makes is in taking the geographical excuses as being really meant. In selecting presidential candidates the geography is simply a blind, and the candidate is selected from some particular state, not on account of its position, but because of the number of votes it casts, and the closeness of the vote between the parties. Maine is a sure repullican state, no matter who is nomir sted; Indiana, New York and possib'y Illinois and Ohio are not. Anyone of these states are liable to be swayed by a matter of local pride, and the selection of a candidate from either is liable to throw its vote to the party selecting him. Each of these states has a large number of electoral votes, hence the desire to contral that vote makes the geographical question important. If Maine was a doubtful state, even though its vote is small, Mr. Reed's chances for the presidency would be much better than they are. The only reason why he will not be the candidate of the republican party for the presidency in 1896, is found in the fact that Maine is too solidly and safely republican. Both McKinley and Harrison bave a great advantage over Mr. Reed from that fact alone.

Politics no longer demands the selection of the best or ablest man. The sole object of political parties is to win, and in selecting candidates they are chosen for availability instead of ability.

#### THE MORTGAGE TAX LAW.

Several newspapers in Oregon are attempting to influence public opinion in favor of the reinactment of the mortgage tax law and the deductions for indebtedness. In other words they would assess the individual instead of the property. In our opinion it makes no difference who owns property, as far as when on board the Beagle, at the the equity of assessing it goes. If the state holds property for taxes it can sell the property and collect the taxes, but not so with assessing the indivual. If a man owns a farm and owes half the purchase money or all of it or none, should not figure in assessment; there is the land, assess it, enter it on the tax rolls, launch forth again "on the bosom of and then some one must come forward the palpitating air." These gossamer and pay the taxes, or it will be sold. That is the simplest and best plan of assessment. It is the best for the state and is, in the long rnn, the only just method for the taxpayer. All property in the state should pay taxes. A merchant has \$10,000 worth of goods in his store. Those goods should pay their burdens for maintaining the expenses of state and county government, no matter whether owned by the man in possession, or only partly owned, or even in his possession on consignment. It is not the duty of the state to settle the question of ownership. The man in possession according to the records is supposed to own the property, whether it Dykeman Druggist, Catskill, N. Y., says be real or personal, and the state need that Dr. Kings New Discovery is unsimply to follow the property, and not the individual -Condon Globe.

Up in Spokane two rival undertakers had a dispute as to which should bury the corpse of William Smith, who came to his death from the effects of a ganshot wound inflicted upon his corpus by one Adolphus Selbeim. One of the rivals brought suit against the other and as I'd have others do unto me. Clarareplevined the body of Smith before the Of course not. It isn't a girl's place to other fellow could get it into the grave. The public have a listless interest in watching the case, just to see if a modern miracle can be performed, and if the undertakers can accomplish what the doctors cannot; that is, recover the dead.

The Earl of Oxford is dead, and will cough and prevents consumption. be succeeded by his nephew, Robert Horace Walpole, "who in 1888, (the dispatch says) "married Miss Louise Melissa Corbin of New York, and was sued for breach of promise by a German governess of Constantinople." It is gratifying to the public to know that Robert Horace had done something to distin- party to whom said order is issued. guish himself, so that the simple announcement would forever establish hiidentity. Now we all know which Robert Horace Walpole it is that will be Earl of Oxford.

The Telegram, in commenting on "Uncle Tom's Cabin" as shown in Portland, says that the play is much better with one Topsy than it would be with two. Now what do you suppose it meant by that?

Japan wants 400,000,000 yen for taking Corea away from China. It may be some satisfaction to China as she pays the money over that Japan is not yet on Washington Washington Washington

the gold basis, and will take the payment in silver.

STRANGE SHOWERS.

Blood, Spiders and Other Queer Things

Rained Down from Heaven. The meteorological phenomenon that dates from "the night of the big wind" and the disastrous downpour that drenched a suffering humanity on that occasion is surpassed by the record of other rainstorms.

The sky has shed tempests of blood, and more than once this phenomenon has produced consternation among men whose startled eyes beheld what they deemed was the visible sign of their impending destruction. "Blood" rain is caused by the presence of infi-nitely little plants, animalcules or minerals in the globules. In one in-stance of a shower that fell at Bristol and in the Bristol channel the analytical examination showed that the with the belief that man was produced from blood that fell from beaven. It was a portent as remarkable as the "bloody host," which, while it flourished, probably caused the death of more Jews in this country than any other individual superstition directed against that people. It is described as "an appearance of blood flowing from bread when bitten;" but it manifested itself in other articles of food besides bread and sometimes seemed to drop from the air. It will be remembered by historical readers that while Alexander was besieging Tyre this prodigy and the other one of "blood rain" occurred in one day, much to the con-sternation of the addiers.

More curious than blood rain in regard to the mere color was the red, violet and grass-green shower which fell in the south of France many years ago and made a patchwork of the big lake, whereon its manifestation was the more noticeable. This shower, again, was caused by untold myriads of differently colored animalcules. Spidershowers are another curiosity worthy of mention in this connection. The spiders are gossamers; and all those who have read White's Natural History of Selborne will call to mind his description of the showers he observed. One of these, he tells us, continued

for nearly a whole day and the gossamers descended from a surprising height, for when one gentleman ascended a hill near at hand some three hundred feet high he found that the spiders were dropping from a region in the atmosphere that was still beyond the reach of his gaze. Dr. Murtin Lister named this aerial spider "the bird," from the facility with which it can traverse the air; and upon one occasion when he observed a shower of them at York he ascended to the top of the minster and found that even at that altitude he was still below their level-that they were descending from some region above that standpoint. Darwin, another observer of spider showers, describes one he saw in 1832, mouth of the La Plata river, when the vessel was some sixty miles from land; and he seems to have been the first to notice that each parachute of gossamer carried a spider aeronaut, for he not only observed them arrive on board the ship but he also saw them reproduce a new parachute, and on this frail bark showers are great mysteries and once literally erowded with the tiny parachutes mentioned, which are composed of a few threads of almost invisible mamer, with a small but lively bler attached. This may be regarded the most beautiful thing in strange showers.

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